

Sarasota Police Department Use Of Force Report

Incident Entered By: Officer Anthony Misiti - 1774

Assigned Investigator: [Incident pending assignment]

Incident Details

Date Received	Date of Occurrence	Time of Occurrence
8/25/2018	8/25/2018	01:13
Record ID #	Report #	File #
10836	18-051195	U18-0320
Date/Time Entered		
8/25/2018 18:48		

Incident Summary

On 8/25/18 at approximately 0113 hours, I conducted a traffic stop in the 3000 block of Gillespie Ave. Upon contact with the driver, he refused to ID himself or roll down his window to speak with me. I observed him attempting to hide narcotics in the center console. Officer Craig arrived as backup and I opened the driver door which was unlocked. The driver still refused to ID himself and continued to make furtive movements towards his waist and in between the seat and center console.

At this time, I grabbed the suspects right wrist and attempted to pull him from the vehicle. I yelled several times for the suspect to stop resisting but he refused. The suspect began to pull away and tried to climb into the passenger side of the vehicle. The passenger exited the vehicle and left the door open. I continued to pull on the suspect and used a closed fist to punch him in the side of the head and face several times while yelling, "stop resisting". The suspect appeared to be high on some kind of narcotic and was not reacting to my punches. I then deployed my taser, attempting to hit him in the upper body with the first shot and lower body with the second because of our close proximity. The suspect screamed out but was able to pull the darts from his upper body causing the taser to be ineffective. The suspect then climbed into the passenger seat and ran out of the passenger door. He attempted to climb a fence nearby but was stopped by myself and Officer Craig. As we pulled him from the fence, I used a leg sweep to take the suspect to the ground. **Once on the ground I put my knee on the back of his neck and held him while Officer Craig applied handcuffs.**

At this point we were being surrounded by several other male subjects that had their fists balled up and they were stepping towards us like they were going to fight us. Officer Craig and I were both on the ground and at a disadvantage. I then drew my firearm from the holster and pointed it at the closest subject yelling at him to back up. At that time, Officer Kennedy and several other Officer's arrived on scene and I re-holstered my firearm and continued to help Officer Craig with handcuffing. The suspect was then placed in the rear of my patrol vehicle so I could safely clear the scene.

Incident Location

- 3042 Gillespie Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34234 - Location of Occurrence: Zone 3 - Precinct: North District

Use of Force Specific Information

Reason for Use of Force	Service Being Rendered	
Arrest	Resisting without Violen	
Weather Condition	Lighting Condition	Distance to Citizen
Clear	Dark	0 to 1 foot
Citizen Injured	Citizen Taken to Hospital	Citizen Arrested
No	No	Yes
More than 1 Citizen Involved		
No		
Citizen's Build	Citizen's Height	
Medium	6'1" to 6'3"	

Member Assessment of Citizen Condition During Incident

Drugs

Member(s) Injured

No

Member(s) Taken to Hospital

No

Reporting/Involved Citizen Information

Robert Richardson

DOB: 9/15/1993 Race: Black Ethnicity: Gender: Male

Address

- 631, Direction: N Orange Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34234

Role

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Types of Resistance Citizen Used Against Member(s)

- Presence
- Verbal
- Passive Physical
- Active Physical

Injuries sustained by this citizen

Injury	Regions	Injury Locations
No injuries noted or visible		

Charges against this Citizen

- Possession of Controlled Sub
- Resist W/O Violence
- Warrant

Involved Members

Officer Anthony Misiti - ID #: 1774**Assignment at time of incident:** Title: Officer Patrol**Video Footage:** [No Response]**Role**

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Force used by this member against the citizen

- Transporters - Was force effective: No
- Strikes - Was force effective: No
- Strikes - Was force effective: Yes

Less Lethal Force used by this member against the citizen

- Taser - Was Less Lethal Force Used Effective? Limited
Serial # - C6203559D
Cartridge # - 1

Projectile/probe contact Yes
of air cartridges used - 2
Number of cycles through probes - 1
Number of probe hits - 1
Total number of probes deployed - 2
Did the probe(s) penetrate subjects skin? Yes
Was an additional cartridge deployed? Yes

Follow up drive stun conducted No
 Duration of cycles - Short
 Accidental (unauthorized) discharge No

Statistical Information

Reason for limited effect - Probe disconnect
 Arc display No
 Was citizen painted with laser / red dot? No

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- Taser - Was Less Lethal Force Used Effective? Limited
 Serial # - C6202DAF6
 Cartridge # - 2

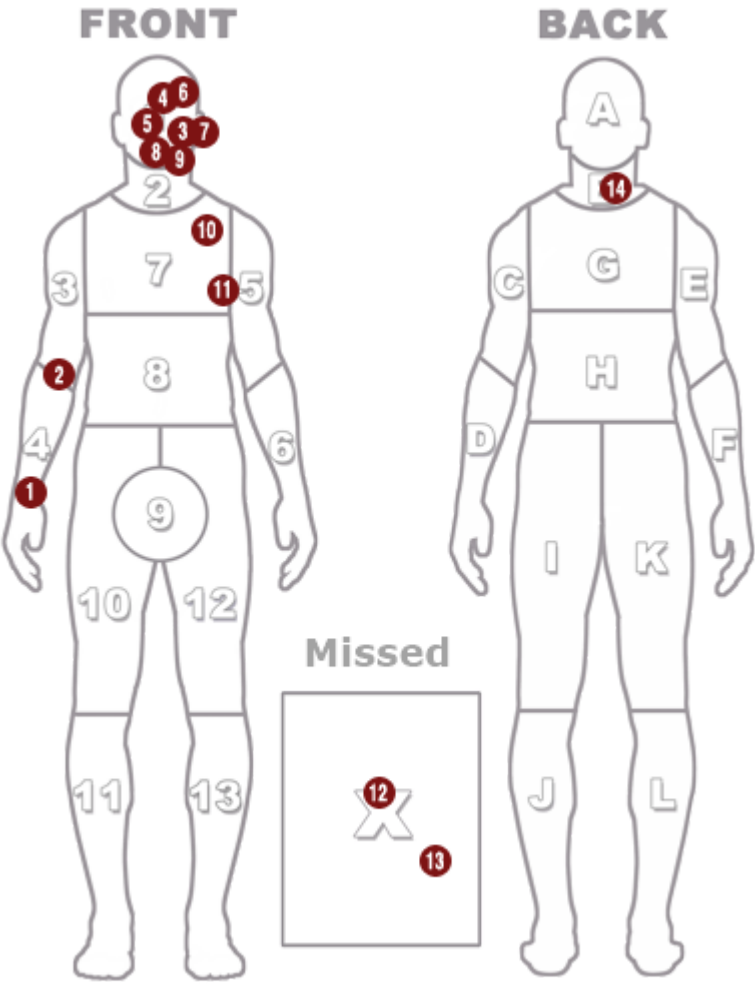
Projectile/probe contact Yes

of air cartridges used - 2
 Number of cycles through probes - 1
 Number of probe hits - 0
 Total number of probes deployed - 2
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 Was an additional cartridge deployed? No
 Follow up drive stun conducted No
 Duration of cycles - Short
 Accidental (unauthorized) discharge No

Statistical Information

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Force Used	Effective?	Regions	Points of contact
Transporters	No	3, 4	1, 2
Strikes	No	1	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Taser	Limited	7	10, 11
Taser	Limited	X	12, 13
Strikes	Yes	B	14



Injuries sustained by this officer

Injury	Regions	Injury Locations
No injuries noted or visible		

Member Witnesses

Officer Hunter Craig - ID #: 1740

Video Footage: [No Response]

Role

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Tasks

No tasks to show

Running Sheet Entries

No running sheet entries to show

Attachments

Date Attached	Attachment Description	Attachment Type
9/12/2018	PCA Lee	pdf
9/12/2018	PCA Richardson	pdf
9/12/2018	CASE report	pdf
9/12/2018	Taser download	pdf

Assignment History

Sent Dt	From	To
11/5/2018	Admin Specialist Renee Gusto	(None Specified)
Assignment notes Field status changed in IAPro from In chain to Released		
Email sent to receiver No email sent		
11/5/2018	Admin Specialist Renee Gusto	(None Specified)
Assignment notes Released back to IAPro		
Email sent to receiver No email sent		

Chain of Command History

Routing #1	
Sent From:	Officer Anthony Misiti
Sent To:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	8/25/2018 7:15 PM
Instructions from Officer Anthony Misiti to Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:	
FOR YOUR APPROVAL	
Comments/Response from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:	
Comments: show on the diagram where you held the subject on the back of the neck with your knee, as stated in your narrative, your markings only show the front of the body and where you used force are there any photos?, if so please download them and attach them need to download your taser	

Routing #2	
Sent From:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
Sent To:	Officer Anthony Misiti
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	8/29/2018 11:26 PM
Instructions from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone to Officer Anthony Misiti:	
see comments section for instructions and additions needed	
Comments/Response from Officer Anthony Misiti:	
Comments: [Forwarded by Officer Anthony Misiti]	

Routing #3	
Sent From:	Officer Anthony Misiti
Sent To:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	8/30/2018 1:48 AM

Instructions from Officer Anthony Misiti to Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:

for your approval. no photos taken as there were no visible injuries

Comments/Response from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:

Comments:

Did you obtain a photo of the probe site (skin puncture) from the taser?

Routing #4

Sent From:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
Sent To:	Officer Anthony Misiti
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	9/12/2018 10:01 AM

Instructions from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone to Officer Anthony Misiti:

see comments regarding photos

Comments/Response from Officer Anthony Misiti:

Comments:

There were no photos taken. The defendant was non-compliant at the jail and reported no injuries. I am unsure if the probes even connected as we did not have to remove them on scene. I am assuming when he rolled out of the vehicle they were pulled out but did not confirm.

Routing #5

Sent From:	Officer Anthony Misiti
Sent To:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	9/17/2018 8:36 AM

Instructions from Officer Anthony Misiti to Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:

see comments for approval

Comments/Response from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone:

Comments:

for your review

Routing #6

Sent From:	Sergeant Tammy Featherstone
Sent To:	Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	9/18/2018 10:49 AM

Instructions from Sergeant Tammy Featherstone to Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner:

for your review, see comments from Officer Misiti as to why there aren't any photos

Comments/Response from Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner:

Comments:

Officer Misiti explains in his comments that the defendant was not cooperative at the jail which is why he did not take photos.

Routing #7

Sent From:	Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner
Sent To:	Captain James Rieser
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	9/18/2018 7:46 PM

Instructions from Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner to Captain James Rieser:

For your review.

Comments/Response from Captain James Rieser:

Comments:

[Forwarded by Captain James Rieser]

Routing #8

Sent From:	Captain James Rieser
Sent To:	Officer Robert Morrison
CC:	Chief of Police Bernadette DiPino

Sent Date/Time:	10/1/2018 9:28 AM
Instructions from Captain James Rieser to Officer Robert Morrison:	
Reviewed. Case sent to Training Unit to be reviewed.	
Comments/Response from Officer Robert Morrison:	
Comments: [Forwarded by Officer Robert Morrison]	

Routing #9	
Sent From:	Officer Robert Morrison
Sent To:	Officer Matthew Hughes
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	10/5/2018 1:13 PM
Instructions from Officer Robert Morrison to Officer Matthew Hughes:	
For your review	
Comments/Response from Officer Matthew Hughes:	
Comments: [Forwarded by Officer Matthew Hughes]	

Routing #10	
Sent From:	Officer Matthew Hughes
Sent To:	Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II
CC:	(none)
Sent Date/Time:	10/5/2018 3:30 PM
Instructions from Officer Matthew Hughes to Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II:	
For your review	
Comments/Response from Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II:	
Comments: [Forwarded by Sergeant Kenneth Rainey II]	

Routing #11	
Sent From:	Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II
Sent To:	Admin Specialist Renee Gusto
CC:	Manager Rhonda Graham
Sent Date/Time:	11/2/2018 4:54 PM
Instructions from Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II to Admin Specialist Renee Gusto:	
Please see attached.	
Comments/Response from Admin Specialist Renee Gusto:	
Comments: Routing was NOT handled in BlueTeam. The incident was forwarded into IAPro by IAPro user Admin Specialist Renee Gusto	

Assigned Investigator Signature Line

[Incident pending assignment]

Chain of Command Signature Lines

Sergeant Tammy Featherstone

Officer Anthony Misiti

Lieutenant Jeffrey Steiner

Captain James Rieser

Officer Robert Morrison

Officer Matthew Hughes

Lieutenant Kenneth Rainey II

Admin Specialist Renee Gusto